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SIGNS OF THE TIME . . . Protestors at Saturday's regents' meeting.

Not Allowed to Speak

Disruptions Greet Regents

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents came to Omaha Saturday and were greeted by three students carrying signs, a woman who wanted to present a petition to them, and a UNL professor who wanted to know why his contract would not be renewed for next year.

As the regular, monthly meeting opened, three students from the Lincoln campus began parading around the regents' table carrying placards critical of regent membership in what one of the students termed the "racially exclusive Elks Club." One of the signs asked, "Are Regents really against discrimination?" in reference to a regents' directive last January calling for an investigation into the discrimination and prejudice problems at the Lincoln campus.

After the students had made their protest for several minutes, Regent President Robert Rahn told them, "I think perhaps you've made your point here," and the students then adjourned to the front of the room.

Woman Not Allowed To Speak

Midway through the meeting, a woman from the audience, Mrs. Kathryn Reisser, asked if she might be permitted to address the board for a few minutes. As Rahn inquired concerning the subject of her address, Regent Dr. Robert Prokop reminded the board president that anyone wishing to speak before the board must request to speak two weeks prior to the meeting. Prokop told Rahn that this was the board's policy and the regents would be setting "a dangerous precedent" if they allowed the woman to speak, since they had denied others the same privilege in the past.

Rahn told Mrs. Reisser that he would entertain a motion to suspend the rules at the end of the meeting which would allow her to speak. Mrs. Reisser informed the regents that she would be releasing her information to the press at the end of the meeting and the regents could either listen to her or get her information from other sources.

Motion To Suspend Rules Fails

At the meeting's conclusion, it was moved that the rules be suspended and that Mrs. Reisser be permitted to address the board. That motion failed by a five to two vote, Regents J. G. Elliott and Edward Schwartskopf voting to hear Mrs. Reisser.

Rahn then proposed that a special regents' committee be formed to talk with Mrs. Reisser at the end of the meeting. He appointed himself and Schwartskopf to serve on the committee.

Hubbard Questions Dismissal

Before the Reisser incident had completely died down, Dr. Duke Hubbard, an assistant professor of education at UNL, was on his feet, asking that the regents explain to him why his contract was not renewed for the fall term.

As Hubbard continued talking, Prokop said, "He's out of order." Hubbard answered Prokop: "You ran on a platform of listening to people. Have you forgotten your election promise? He continued, 'You won't even let a woman speak!' and then asked Schwartskopf, as the regents were adjourning, 'Eddie, what's going on here?'" Schwartskopf told Hubbard he was staying.

After the meeting had ended, Mrs. Reisser and Hubbard presented their cases to the regents and reporters who remained.

Mrs. Reisser was representing "a group of UNO alumni, students and taxpayers" who are going to petition the governor, the legislature and the regents to immediately suspend all new building projects at UNO until the university's master plan is completed.

Hubbard accused the board of "ignoring due process of law" after the board had voted unanimously not to renew his contract after the present term. He said that he would sue for his job in court.

The tenured members of the Education faculty at UNL had recommended that Hubbard's contract not be renewed because of his "questioning of the department's decision-making process" and his refusal to attend all of the departmental meetings.

Leadership Conference: War Rally or Workshop

By BEV PARISOT

The Annual Leadership Conference—will it be a "focal point between different colleges and universities to share different ideas on college life" or will it be "an anti-war rally?" It depends on who you talk to.

According to conference Planner-Coordinator Dan Stockman, opening it to the Mid-west rather than limiting the conference to UNO will "open our minds to new ideas and let us grasp what the outside world has to offer plus offering our own. Our intent is not to train anyone, but to present a program where people with open minds will go and listen to different views."

Stockman said participants will be a sampling of both conservative and liberal views which will add to the "stimulation of thought. Speakers will give facts."

Open To All

The conference is open to all UNO students for a \$3 registration fee. Other Mid-western participants will pay \$24 for the same program at Camp Ester Neuman, April 16, 17 and 18. Interested students are urged to register now. Student government people are by no means the only group the conference caters to, according to Stockman. "Everybody is a leader if he wants to be. Every idea is valid as long as it's valid in one's own mind."

He believes the conference was a failure in the past. "Students came and talked to faculty and administrators about university problems. But our students have complaints and no solutions. The students will know better than to come to something like last year's meetings. In something like that, they know there's no newness."

This year's conference includes speakers from other universities, the National Student Association and the State Department. Stockman said, "Spokesmen from other places are important as it will be beneficial to hear different ideas. With more ideas, we can come up with a movement for change and motivate the students to get interested and work with student government. We will hear and learn about other peoples' mistakes rather than make them ourselves. The conference is basically in the interest of our students."

Sueing Your University

Leadership Conference topics include student legal rights, educational reform, the critical university, university governance, sueing your university, student publications, incorporation of student government, experimental colleges, student communities, student government information services and U.S. foreign policy.

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CONCERT FRIDAY . . . Comedian David Steinberg (above) and folk singers Seals and Crofts will appear in the Civic Auditorium Music Hall Friday at 8 p.m. The concert is free for full-time students, \$1.25 for part-time. Tickets can be picked up today through Friday on the first floor of the MBSC.

Tomahawk Meets Varied Reactions

By GERI TETEAKE

Now that the first issue of the Tomahawk is here student reaction to it has been as varied as one would expect.

Those directing the magazine's distribution said that reactions are about 10-1 negative among those who have received it. When the magazine first appeared there were those who denounced it.

"A Piece of Garbage"

One student senator and Pen and Sword member, J. Hunter Beaty, had a personal talk with editor Julie Salem. Beaty was overheard saying the magazine is "a piece of garbage." However, when interviewed later for the Gateway Beaty refused to reveal what he told Miss Salem.

"I talked to the staff. I had some personal views which I expressed to them. I would just prefer it stay with them," he said. Beaty did say that other CCS and Pen and Sword members had complained to him about the Tomahawk. "People wanted a publication," he said, "along more traditional lines. They wanted it for family historical purposes." He said they don't feel it's beneficial in this area. Some of these student found articles offensive, for example the article, "Numero UNO and Why They Aren't" and "Sex on the Urban College Campus."

Beaty said they felt a magazine, but not necessarily a yearbook should be objective. Commenting on the combination of a magazine and yearbook, he said the question is, is it magazine or a yearbook? As a magazine Beaty said, "I thought the people did an outstanding job. It looks well edited. But I would like to see something more along traditional lines."

Psychology major, Karen Koom, said, "You don't tend to lose a yearbook," as opposed a magazine. She said the articles were basically good but "the one on sex was bad. It could have been more tastefully done." Commenting on pictures she said, "The photography doesn't basically represent the school. Granted we're an apathetic school but you

don't have to show it in the photography. Supposedly you want higher quality students to attend UNO. They won't if they see apathy." She said the Tomahawk says, "I don't like this school and its not worth the effort to put a yearbook out."

Magazine Is Reminder

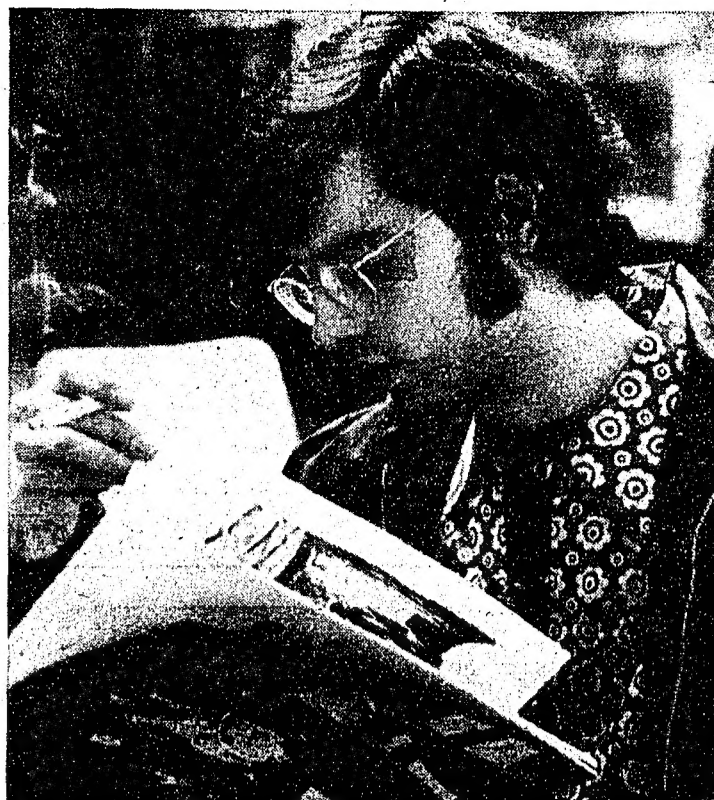
Former Gateway editor Mike Meiches said, "I was against the magazine before it came out because I didn't think students would accept it." But now Meiches thinks it is very "representative of the student body." He agrees with Miss Salem's views in last Friday's Gateway. Meiches said some of the articles were controversial, but "I want to remember in 15 years about, for example the bootstrappers and the parking problems. I want to use it as a reminder." He said that in showing these problems the magazine gives "something a yearbook can't provide."

Referring to the magazine type writing Meiches said, "I'd rather read about the CCS dean talk on boots than see group pictures of Pen and Sword." However Meiches said he does wish senior pictures would be in the May issue. He can't see people looking at senior pictures when the seniors are still in school.

Magazine Practically Yearbook

Charles Clausen, a bootstrapper and MBSC night manager, said "when I first got it I wasn't aware there were to be other issues." He questioned the Tomahawk because he had seen previous yearbooks and liked them. Besides "I'm rather traditional minded." But when he learned there would be three issues in periodical binder Clausen said, "This is practically a yearbook approach."

"I'm all for it as long as there's a folder. It's just that I thought a magazine wouldn't last. This is my only year at



LEISURE READING . . . Some like it, some don't.

college and I felt getting a magazine wasn't a yearbook until I knew everything about it." Clausen said he thinks opinions aren't expressed in publication and that "facts are documented."

"I can see there is a break with the past but just because I don't particularly care for it doesn't mean it's wrong." But he said, "If I was the Student

Senate I would definitely think of polling students on what they want next year." He said the fact that a magazine would replace a traditional yearbook wasn't too well publicized and the break with the past was too quick. "In a sense it's wrong because the students weren't polled."

Tomahawk All the Way

Then there are those students who are for the Tomahawk all the way. One student said, "The magazine is an in-

novation which tends to direct students away from the typical Joe College type yearbooks that have been on this campus for so long. It's an intellectual and journalistic masterpiece. People don't understand that in presenting a magazine these yearbook people are giving us a chance to say we're not dumb college kids. We're intelligent people who deserve a publication which reflects this intelligence."

Journalism department head, Dr. Hugh P. Cowdin, said he thinks the magazine "is a very good idea. It's much more useful, more flexible in terms of content. You can do more with copy and there's a good deal more opportunity for exploratory type reporting."

Cowdin said "It's kind of silly to say the Tomahawk isn't a training device. If students do it, inevitably it will be a training device." In reply to those who said a yearbook should whitewash problems Cowdin said, "I think that's the primary complaint of traditional yearbooks. They whitewash, a magazine should be honest."

There are two interesting things about this whole Tomahawk hassle. Although students who want the return to a traditional yearbook hate the magazine, they see a journalistically well-done publication, and commend the staff in this respect. The second thing, and perhaps the most important, is at least a few people are reacting to something and maybe like the magazine, this is a break with tradition.

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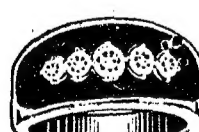

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Draft Office, Sharpe Sidestep Senate Axe

The Student Senate Thursday approved extension of the Omaha Draft Information Office on campus but defeated an impromptu motion to remove Registrar Virgil Sharpe.

Draft Office Director Bob Clements appeared before the Senate to present facts and figures regarding Office operation. CCS representative J. Hunter Beaty wanted to postpone any action as he had filed a petition with the Student Court earlier Thursday to determine constitutionality.

But education Senator Linda Radachi indicated that since Clements had taken the time to appear, the Senate could at least listen. Freshman representative John Lohmeier concurred, saying that by not hearing Clements, the Senate was already indicting the Office before the court could rule.

Clements On Food Stamps

Clements then tried to show the Senate where UNO's \$125 offering had gone, although he said this was difficult when the Office has been operating with a \$7,500 total. Phone calls, mostly to military bases have cost around \$100; another \$132 went to the editing and writing of a manual to help coordinate the information service—"what they can advise on and what they cannot." Salaries have been minimal. Clements is "on Douglas County food stamps right now to keep it minimal."

He said UNO's counseling progress has not been very good, handling only 100 cases. About 25 per cent of the Creighton Office's cases are still UNO men compared to 40 or 50 per cent before the UNO branch existed. However, he felt this may be due to advertising problems and poor location.

CCS representative Don Bell asked, "I'm not being facetious now, but just what do you do?"

Clements explained Office operation as objectively counseling both those interested in entering the service and those who may wish to stay out for mental, physical or moral reasons.

Bell replied, "And you only get \$125 a year from us?? I think that's disgusting."

CCS senator John McFarlane asked if any students actually do use the counseling center for information on entering the service. Clements said these men tend to go to service recruiters.

Additional \$500

At this point, the Senate approved the remainder of the original \$500 counseling appropriation. But Bell interjected, "This is a problem much greater to you than it is to me, and I don't want to antagonize anybody. But we've had a great din over People's Peace in Vietnam. I think we should concentrate on our men over here. The government spends millions of dollars to send men over there but none to keep them here." He suggested giving an additional \$500 to the Draft Information Office.

Graduate senator Wayne Wiley said, "Yeah, I'm for getting this guy off food stamps."

CCS representative Jerry McRee said Bell doesn't know anything about the Draft Information Service so he might reconsider his reconsideration.

Bell responded, "No. But I know what the Marine Corps is though."

The Senate approved the additional \$500 under McFarlane's stipulation that a minimum of \$50 go to advertising the fact that the Office also has information for those who are interested in entering the service.

Sharpe Removal Fails

The Virgil Sharpe controversy began when Dany Powers offered a friendly amendment to a resolution concerning registration by Linda Radachi.

Senior class Senator Danny Powers said, "I'd like to make an amendment that the registrar be removed."

Speaker Mary Jane Lohmeier asked Radachi if she would accept the friendly amendment. She agreed and Lohmeier asked, "What?!"

Junior representative Jim Tyler questioned the Senate's authority in removing the Registrar. "Is this to remove the office or the man?" He was assured it was to remove the man and a roll call vote ended 11-10-4 the amendment failing.

'Grain of Sand'

Submission deadline for entries for the May '71 issue of "Grain of Sand" is March 31. Any student may submit short stories, poetry, essays etc. for possible publication. A \$20 prize will be offered for the best written form published and a \$10 second prize.

Visual forms such as drawings, prints and etchings may also be submitted. A \$10 prize for the best visual form used will be awarded.

Navy Officers

The Navy Officer Information Team will be on campus March 10 and 11 to assist prospective graduates in planning their futures regarding military service.

The Officer Information Team includes Naval Aviation, Line, Wave and Nurse Officers who will talk with students 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. in the MBSC lobby.

Qualification tests for various programs including duty with aviation squadrons, surface ships, submarines and engineering battalions will be administered on campus.

Editors Sought

Today is the deadline for submitting applications for the editorships of the summer Gateway and the 1971-72 Grain of Sand. Students wishing to apply for either of these positions must complete their applications today.

The forms should be typewritten and submitted to Richard Duggin, chairman of the Student Publications Board, in Library Office Annex 21. Applications should include information concerning applicants' experience and academic record, as well as a brief summation of why they want to be editor on the form.

All full time students with a 2.0 grade average are eligible for the editorships. The final decisions will be announced Mar. 16.

For further information contact Richard Duggin at ext. 637.

Around Campus

Student Senate Elections

Presidential and Vice-Presidential elections for Student Government will be March 24-25. Along with this election will be a referendum on the Vietnamese Peace Treaty to poll the student opinion.

There are still two graduate seats and one university division seat open for appointment to Student Senate. Any interested students should contact the Student Government office Room 301, MBSC.

Math Lectures

Dr. George R. Sell, professor of mathematics at the University of Minnesota will lecture at UNO Thursday, March 11. Sell will give two lectures on "Topology and Evolutionary Progress" at 10:30 a.m. in Annex 12 A; and the "Applications of Linear Operator Theo-

ry in Engineering and Science" at 3:30 p.m. in Room 312 MBSC. The lectures are sponsored by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics for all interested students and faculty.

Iverson at UNO

Dr. William Iverson, 1971 National Council of Teachers of English Distinguished Lecturer, will be at UNO March 18. Iverson will meet informally with faculty and students at 1:30-3 p.m. in Room 314 MBSC. Later he will discuss "The Lively Arts of Language" at 7:30 p.m. during a free public lecture in the Epley Conference Center.

Iverson has been a faculty member at Stanford University since 1948 and teaches courses in children's literature and reading and language arts. His publications include "Modern Methods in Secondary Education," "Research in the Three R's" and "Singer Random House Literature Series."

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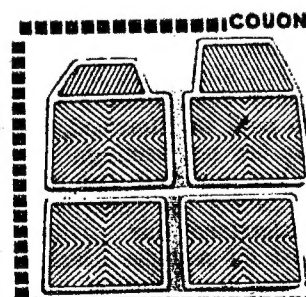
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Editorial

Threat to Secrecy

There's a new, standard ending to the monthly regents' meeting, replacing the traditional motion for adjournment after the completion of business. Instead, an untenured and soon to be unemployed faculty member takes the floor and asks the regents why they have designated him to join the ranks of the jobless.

The regents promptly tell the speaker that he is out of order, but the speaker persists and the regents adjourn so they won't have to listen to him.

Dr. Duke Hubbard, an assistant professor of education at UNL, is the latest victim of "regent wrath." The tenured faculty member's of Hubbard's department at Lincoln had recommended that his contract not be renewed, but would not give Hubbard a written explanation for their action.

Since the ultimate power of hiring and firing rests with the regents, Hubbard decided to question them for his answers. He was also a bit disturbed over the violation of a university policy that teachers would be notified by Dec. 15, if their contracts are not going to be renewed for the following year.

The regents' sole concern is that an outsider not address them unless he asks "Mother may I?" two weeks in advance. If the outsider becomes belligerent, President Rahn adjourns the meeting and the regents flee for safety.

The regents' action concerning Hubbard is understandable, since Hubbard is a good-sized man, over six feet, and well proportioned. But what is hard to understand is the regents' fear of Mrs. Kathryn Reisser, who is not a good-sized man, not over six feet.

Mrs. Reisser wanted to address the board as a matter of protocol. She intends to be involved in a petition drive to stop construction on the UNO campus and wanted to tell the regents her intent. She asked if persons from the audience were allowed to speak at the meetings, told the board that she knew they were busy and would make her speech brief.

But Mrs. Reisser had not given the regents advanced notice of her performance, so a majority of the regents would not let her on stage. She didn't press the matter, and the regents weren't forced into adjournment, but the question has to be asked, what harm would it have done had the regents allowed her to speak?

The answer is probably that had Mrs. Reisser been permitted to address the board, the regents might possibly have had to take action on a matter that was not rehearsed in executive session. The regents habitual unanimity was temporarily shattered by the five to two vote against suspending the rules, an example of what can happen if the real voting and discussion by the regents is done in public rather than behind closed doors.

War, Mad and Ads Draw Response

Sir:

In the current Progressive, Dr. Richard Falk (International Law, Princeton) makes some interesting points about the POW issue:

First, Article 118 of the Geneva Convention on the Treatment of Prisoners of War says POWs are not entitled to release until "after the cessation of active hostilities." Nixon knows that. He also must know

Is Nixon concerned about the health of men who have had to sacrifice for their country? If so, why did he veto, last September, extra appropriations for our notoriously understaffed Veterans Hospitals? The answer must be that the thousands of crippled vets aren't as useful as the 500 POWs to Nixon and the Pentagon in their propaganda campaign to whip up hatred of Hanoi.

Such cynical manipulation of public opinion may be sickening, but not surprising, at least not surprising to old Nixon-watchers. What is surprising is that so many supposedly intelligent college students at a conservative (i.e., cautious, prudent) university are so easily suckered into endorsing such a transparent and contemptible political maneuver.

Jim Bechtal

Dear Sir:

I would like to address this letter to the person that wrote a letter to the editor and signed it Mad, in the March 3 issue of the Gateway.

Dear Mad:

You have a hell of a lot of nerve!

Just because it snowed why should you be allowed to park in the lot when you are too cheap to pay for a sticker? In case you haven't noticed UNO has a big parking problem now without jokers like you parking there because of some snow.

I paid \$12 for the privilege to hunt in the lot, I think it is only fair that you should do the same.

Mr. Mad there has been too many days when I have had to park in Elmwood, and you sir are not helping.

You say "all you are doing is asking the campus cops to understand our position and just for a while break the so called law" instead why don't you understand our position and stop breaking the rules.

If you don't like it I believe you can still buy a parking sticker.

Alan Gendler

Dear Mr. Mack,

I am certain that others have told you they find the Gateway offensive. I realize I am not promoting an original

statement. But maybe you've never had complaints against your advertising before.

In particular, I am referring to a twice-run ad regarding an abortion counseling service and another regarding the availability of contraceptives, both of which I find insulting and unnecessary. The legality of these acts may have been established but certainly not their morality. Why then are you promoting these injustices to the unborn?

Look to your conscience Mr. Mack and likewise Mr. Meiches.

Ann Yungbluth

Dear Sir:

I have been a student at UNO for the past six semesters; am in touch with the Gateway; attend most Student Senate meetings; have studied UNO/OU history back to 1938; am in touch with past student parking leaders and with Campus Planning and Development.

I would like to make a few points to Mike Powell;

(1) Busing will not work at UNO. It was tried in about 1968 under the best circumstances and was a total flop.

(2) Car pools will not work. That theory was investigated recently by Student Senator Jim Tyler. There was no student interest in the project.

The reason for the disinterest in car pools and busing was, and is, jobs. Seventy-two per cent of UNO student work. They need their cars for transportation. And buses and car pools are not available enough.

Having eliminated these "solutions" it becomes obvious that we need some other solution.

The university is trying to get the use of Ak-Sar-Ben parking for eight months of the year. Ak-Sar-Ben has too much political clout to try and force full year use of its parking. Anything we get from them we are lucky to have.

So we MUST buy parking.

I take exception to your criticism of the Student Senate and your misquote of the Gateway. The allusion to student leaders getting jobs in student government for later job applications was directed at Student President Steve Wild. It was libelous.

Members of student government other than the President and Vice-President get no recognition of student government work when they apply for later jobs. Nor are they paid. All they get that is tangible is a 100 per cent sure lower GPA and the more tangible chance to help students.

I am surprised that you could not tell in reading the

past Gateway how little fact was in it and how biased it was against student government.

If you would like to fortify your interest in parking with fact you should contact Jim Zadina acting student president or the head of the student parking committee, Hunter Beaty.

Terry White

\$6 Million to Go

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents will meet in Lincoln this Saturday, to consider Chancellor Durward B. Varner's plan for trimming \$6 million from the Nebraska system's budget.

Varner gave the regents a list of possible adjustments to the budgets this past Saturday, when the regents were in Omaha for their monthly meeting. It was expected that the regents would act on the adjustments at that meeting, but action was delayed to allow time for consideration.

Varner would not comment on the specifics of the budget adjustments except to say they would involve about \$4.5 million on the Lincoln campus and \$1.5 million at the Medical College. Varner also said, "UNO would not be involved centrally in the budget adjustments, because comparatively speaking, UNO fared better in the governor's recommendations."

Neither the chancellor nor the regents used the meeting to respond to accusations by Governor J. J. Exon that they were throwing "temper tantrums" over the governor's budget proposals. Varner did comment, "It is my belief that Governor Exon has not been given adequate information in the budget case for the University of Nebraska," and suggested a meeting between himself and Exon.

At the Saturday meeting, UNL President Joseph Soshnik revealed a plan to freeze enrollment on the Lincoln campus, if the budget necessitates it. The Soshnik Plan, which was unanimously approved by the regents, included:

—A 25% reduction in the number of new students accepted by the Graduate College.

—A one semester's delay in the readmission of students suspended for scholastic reason.

—A one semester's delay in the readmission of upperclassmen who have been in scholastic difficulty for more than two consecutive semesters.

—A more stringent academic policy concerning the admission of transfer students.

—Refusal of admission to students who apply for admission and/or registration late, unless the maximum enrollment level has not been reached.

—A continuation of a policy of a fixed-number limit for freshmen entering the Colleges of Dentistry and Law.

The Soshnik plan is intended to limit the UNL enrollment to the same number as this year, instead of an anticipated increase of 600 to 800 students. Varner noted that "a possible tuition increase and the commotion concerning the university's quality may make the steps unnecessary, but we don't know that."

In actions concerning the Omaha campus, UNO President Kirk Naylor announced the resignations of John Martin, the dean of the College of Engineering, and Paul Moloff, an instructor in the philosophy department, effective at the end of the academic year.

Martin had been scheduled for reappointment at the meeting, but Naylor told the regents that he had been informed of the resignation last Thursday.

Letters to the Editor

that on December 23, 1970, the NLF offered a ceasefire and release of POWs in return for American withdrawal. But the President's determination not to leave Vietnam without destroying all opposition to the Thieu-Ky regime makes it impossible for him to accept such an offer and lengthens the POW's imprisonment.

Second, when Hanoi signed the Geneva Convention of 1949 in 1957 it specifically entered a formal reservation to Article 85: War criminals are excluded from coverage by the Convention. Can the captured pilots be regarded as war criminals? Many legal experts feel that the use of deadly air power by a technologically advanced nation against the population of an underdeveloped nation (Mussolini in Ethiopia, the US in Vietnam) may constitute a war crime. At any rate, antipersonnel cluster bombs such as we are using to depopulate "free fire" zones are explicitly prohibited by international law.

Finally, some questions: Is the US concerned about the treatment of all prisoners of all belligerents? If so, why the silence when the Red Cross filed a complaint against Saigon in February, 1970, concerning Con Son and the other prisons and camps that are needed to keep Thieu and Ky in power?

Is the Administration concerned about letters to and from the POWs? If so, why has it interfered with the flow of letters organized by the (anti-war) Committee of Liaison with Families of Servicemen Detained in North Vietnam?

Steinberg: 'Never Tell Dumb Jokes'

David Steinberg, perhaps one of the most forgotten American comedians, will make his Omaha debut for UNO students, faculty and staff this Friday at 8 p.m. in the Music Hall.

A New York Times review said Steinberg, like Woody Allen, Shelly Berman and Lenny Bruce, is a comedian with a "quick mind, a sharp tongue, a highly developed taste for fantasy (and) an equal zest for the absurdly real."

When pressed, Steinberg confesses he practices "the new humor" in which "you work from the top of your intelligence. You never tell a dumb joke. The comic is not the stupid little man, but the bright man in a stupid little world."

"It stems from the Marx Brothers," he told the Los Angeles Times, "They were anarchists and their comedy was anarchy. They set up an establishment—and literally destroyed it."

Although Steinberg at his best sometimes leads to Bible stories with irrereligious overtones, the fact is they are "gently funny and lauded by clergy of all faiths."

Most recently, Steinberg co-starred in and co-authored "The Return of the Smothers Brothers" special on NBC-TV. It closely followed his TV series cancellation, ABC-TV's "Music Scene."

Asked by Johnny Carson on the "Tonight Show" how he felt about being named the star following the cancellation announcement, Steinberg replied thoughtfully, "It's like being called into the captain's cabin after the Titanic hit the iceberg, and having him say, 'Son, have you ever considered being captain?'"

The son of a father who was "sometimes rabbi—sometimes grocer—always scholar," Steinberg was as close to the Bible as he was to Superman and the Lone Ranger. With a host of academic achievements he graduated from Chicago University at 22 with a Master's degree under his arm.

The last six years have seen Steinberg trying his hand at success and failure. He has acted, directed, and wrote a number of good and bad theatrical productions.

One of the pinnacles of his career was his success in winning the co-starring role with Eliot Gould in the Broadway production of "Little Murders". The future holds an excellent chance for Steinberg to gain the immortality his idols the Marx Brothers have, and if his past record holds true, he will be a feature attraction on this semester's entertainment calendar.

brown baggin' it

by Richard D. Brown



Operation: Assistance

It was Beatles John Lennon and Paul McCartney that made Eleanor Rigby and all the lonesome old people famous about five years ago. And remember that song from not too long ago about "giving a damn about your fellow man?"

Perhaps these two songs are indicative of the thinking of two UNO juniors who have undertaken a crusade to help the elderly citizens of the greater Omaha area.

They say they looked for a suitable cause to work for. Helping with the drug problem was considered but work in this area needs to be geared toward the individual case. Another problem which is often the target of volunteer youth today is crime but the twosome said they felt assisting the elderly with their problems is an "issue more pressing and demanding than drugs and crime."

Law enforcement major Mike Richardson got the idea of crusading for the elderly when he was employed by the United States Census Bureau last spring. "I saw old people in deplorable situations who had lost the will to live" says Richardson in noting that many of these people "were just walking death."



MIKE RICHARDSON

With his partner Loel D. Brooks, a pre-law student, Richardson discussed the objectives of his crusade. "I'm tired of hearing all the cliches about a generation gap and the youth of our nation and I want to see something done about it," says the 20-year-old student.

"We're going to work with governmental agencies and bodies to lobby on behalf of the elderly" Richardson notes in adding he feels it would be wise "for us to talk with and have counsel with senior citizens organizations to find needs and a course of action."

'Omaha Transit Service Inadequate'

The Omaha Transit Co. was named by Richardson as "being the villain in this case." "Bus service in Omaha has been inadequate to meet the needs of the elderly" notes Richardson in citing too few buses and transferring difficulties as causing many senior citizens "to stand 20 minutes in pure hell."

According to Richardson and Brooks many elderly persons have been priced out of taking public transportation by bus fares which have been hiked 15 cents in five years. "The bus company has been a luxury the elderly can't even afford" said Richardson.

Brooks notes: "A basic student of economics can tell you the way to increase revenue and passengers is not to raise prices but to lower them." With cab fares starting at 50 cents at the beginning of a trip and increasing with distance, the bus is the lone transportation alternative for many senior citizens.

Third Crusade in 15 Months

Crusading situations such as his current project is nothing new for Richardson. Late in 1969 he was the instigator of the highly-controversial attack on the legality of the nativity scene, an annual attraction on the lawn of the Douglas County Courthouse. The slender, fast-talking student then shifted his attention to parking ordinances as applied to the Fairacres section of the city, directly north of the UNO campus.

Both the parking and nativity scene protests proved to no avail. Richardson was asked how he would justify his sincerity in his current senior citizen project. He noted his current effort is a "group project" involving "several competent individuals" and reluctantly cited the problem he ran into when working to remove the "No parking" signs in Fairacres and questioning the legality of the Nativity scene.

The latter has "been referred to the American Civil Liberties Union," according to Richardson who noted the Fairacres parking situation was of "too much magnitude to handle personally." He claims to have spent "20 minutes" in the Douglas County Jail and "lost between \$100 and \$150" in his attempt to get Fairacres streets opened to student parking.

Why then does Mike Richardson remain the crusading student? "It's just me, I guess."

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ODDS & ENDS . . .

Repercussions of the election of Governor J. J. Exon continue to be felt. A local record store reports sales of the recording "Tighter, Tighter" by the Alive and Kickin' have increased steadily.

George Eliot's Silas Marner has skyrocketed in sales as has the demand for scripts for the part of Shylock in Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice.

It has even been rumored that comedian Jack Benny might visit UNO this year!

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Roger W. Morgan has announced he is leaving his early morning show for a similar position in Kansas City. The KOIL dee jay has enjoyed top ratings since 1967. Now maybe "Morganizing" will be replaced by "Musicizing."

Cashbox magazine reports the nation's No. 60 record is done by a new group called "CCS." The song, "Whole Lotta Love" is being distributed on the RAK label. Have College of Continuing Studies (CCS) Dean William T. Utley and his colleagues branched into yet another area?



SEALS AND CROFTS . . . Will join comedian David Steinberg this Friday.

Concert Friday—

A Different Folk Group

Remember Seals and Crofts? Probably not, because you've never heard enough of them to forget them.

They're the 'second' act on the SPO-sponsored concert Friday featuring David Steinberg. They may be the 'second' attraction ostensibly, but most people who've heard them, including many SPO people, expect Seals and Crofts to please the UNO audience at least as much as Steinberg.

Jim Seals and Dash Crofts first began recording in the mid-50's for Atlantic Records as studio musicians. They spent 12 years backing other artists and playing in local bands before they released their first solo album, "Seals and Crofts" over a year-and-a-half ago.

Both came from Texas, where Seals won the state fiddle championship at age nine. Crofts learned to play country-style guitar. Seals has added bass, drum, harmonica, flute, piano and saxophone to his repertoire, and switches back and forth between them during concerts. Crofts plays electric mandolin most of the time, while singing the lead.

The New York Times couldn't describe them, so they called Seals and Crofts, "finally, a new folk group that is different. Their songs, mostly originals, have a curious oriental flavor—yet, go through a multitude of tempo and mood shifts, experimenting with textures not found in most contemporary folk music."

Billboard said that, "excellent as they may sound on their two albums, Seals and Crofts are at their absolute best on stage . . . the concert turned into a warm and glowing celebration, just because a couple of musicians and a squashed roomful of people were so completely happy to be together."

One reviewer thought Jimmy Seals was capable of singing two notes at once, "a rare skill handed down through generations." Their har-

monies are uncanny, far more intricate, extensive, and difficult than harmonies tried by most folk groups, including Simon and Garfunkel and Peter, Paul and Mary.

The Rolling Stone felt "Seals and Crofts appeal to our sense of limits and our sense of fun, our willingness to be released from pressure." Every review written of their music uses the word 'gentle' more than once.

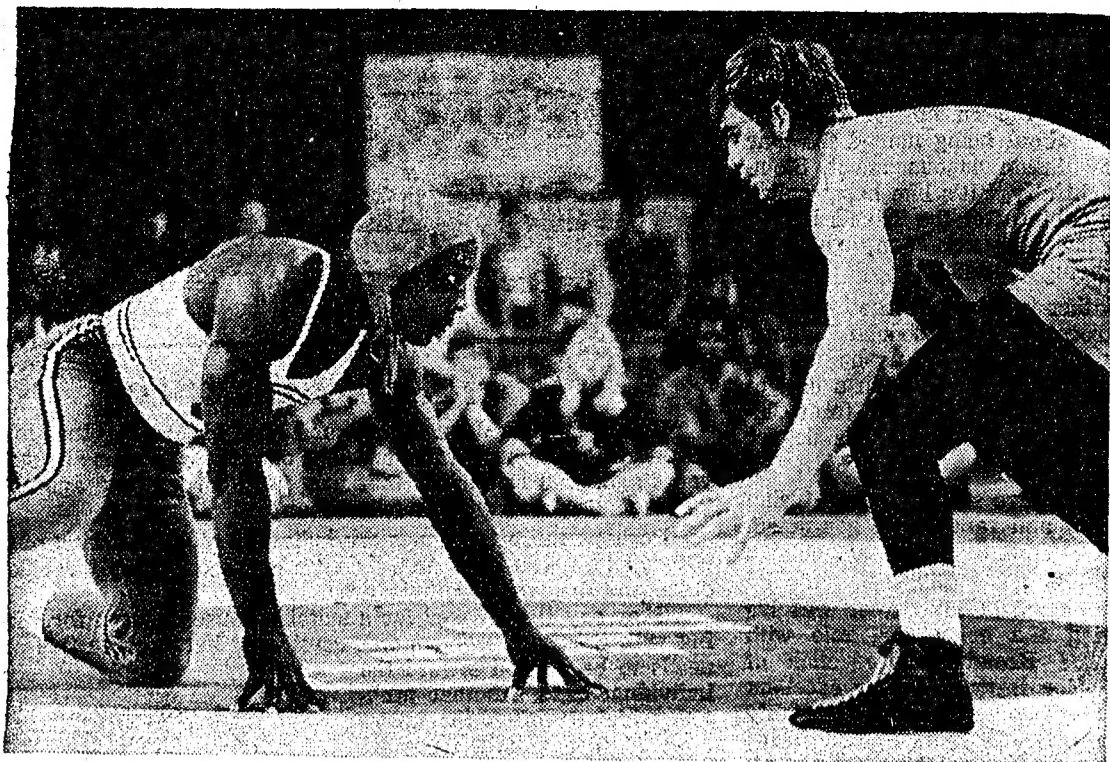
Seals and Crofts write most of the songs used in their act, which may account for the general gentleness. Another reason could be their "Baha'i" faith. One of the faith's writings says it is "a foundation which affords a firm basis for Unity throughout the whole world and the inauguration of that glorious age of peace on earth, goodwill among men, of which prophets have told and poets sung."

Baha'i influence can be heard on much of the music. The fundamental peacefulness of their belief shows as create images of fields, flowers, cattle grazing and lovers running through the countryside. They use their 'angelic' voices like paintbrushes, the mandolin like a touring bus, and the words of songs to create vast, pastoral scenes.

Their second album, "Down Home," drew critical praise while doing fair in sales. Most reviewers hadn't heard of them or heard them at all, so they missed out on the first album, which was just as good, probably better.

It was the second album that prompted their current concert schedule, which includes appearances at Mankato State College, the Troubadour in Los Angeles, and the Cellar Door at Washington besides Friday's here.

The David Steinberg-Seals and Crofts concert is Friday in the Civic Auditorium Music Hall at 8:00. It's free for full-time students, faculty and staff. Tickets for part-time students are \$1.25.



STAREDOWN . . . One of Mel's trademarks.

Mel Washington . . . The End of an Era

By STEVE PRIESMAN

Mel Washington has won a few wrestling matches for UNO. He also made a few tackles and recovered a few fumbles for Al Caniglia's gridders.

"Few" is an understatement because Mel, No. 1, owns the career record on the mat. Although this season is not yet complete, the 177-pounder captured the record with his 98-4 career mark to best brother Roy's 95-7 record.

No. 2, the Indian senior owns five football records: single game tackles (16), season tackles (86), fumbles forced in one game (2), fumbles forced for the season (10) and defensive points (353). The points are based on defensive excellence. Washington broke his own record, and is the only Indian to win twice.

Washington's athletic prowess is an established fact. But what's he like away from the Feldhouse?

Always an Attraction

The 23-year old and his wife, Frances have one child, Tanya (age 2) and are awaiting the arrival of a second.

Mel, always an attraction at UNO athletic events, expects to graduate this summer after four-plus years. That in itself is a rarity among two sport athletes.

The two sports, wrestling and football, provide the Rochester, N. Y., native's means to an education. Washington's tuition is split between football and wrestling grants. A student with a grant gets tuition and books, but room, board and other living expenses must be bore by the individual.

He's Loyal

The stocky Indian feels loyalty to both sports.

"I like whichever one is in season," he says. "After college, I know there's no future in wrestling. There might be one in football."

Thoughts of professional football have gone through the defensive expert's mind. "I might try Canadian football," he says, "but that's only after I get my degree. I'm really undecided afterwards. I may go to Canada or I might stay in Omaha."

If Mel decides against football, he'll put his efforts into parole work. "I could work for the state as a parole officer here in town," he says.

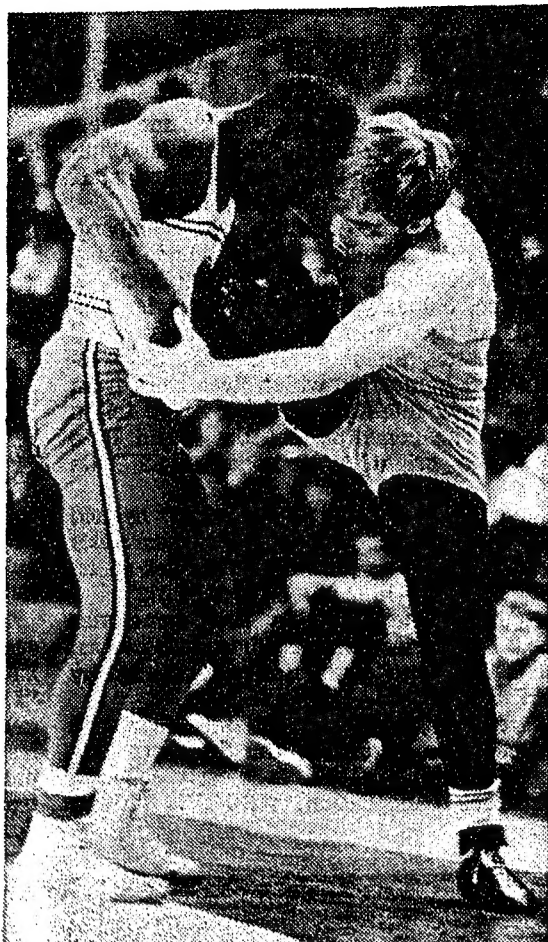
How does someone feel after competing four years in two sports? As far as Mel's concerned, he's sorry it's over. His wife has a different outlook.

Wife Glad

"I'm glad it's over," she says. "I don't have anything against sports, but it's just that it takes so much of his time. Maybe now he'll be home more."

Don Benning's ace will attempt to regain the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) title this weekend. Washington won the top spot his sophomore year, but was upset by Adams State's Harvey Gray in the finals last year. Gray quit the ASC squad during the middle of the season, so Washington should be the odds on favorite to take the 177-pound crown.

"It was a relief," Mel comments about Gray. "Tony Martinez (wrestling student manager) told me two days before the conference tournament. At the start of the season, I figured it was mine all the way. With Gray gone, it should be easier."



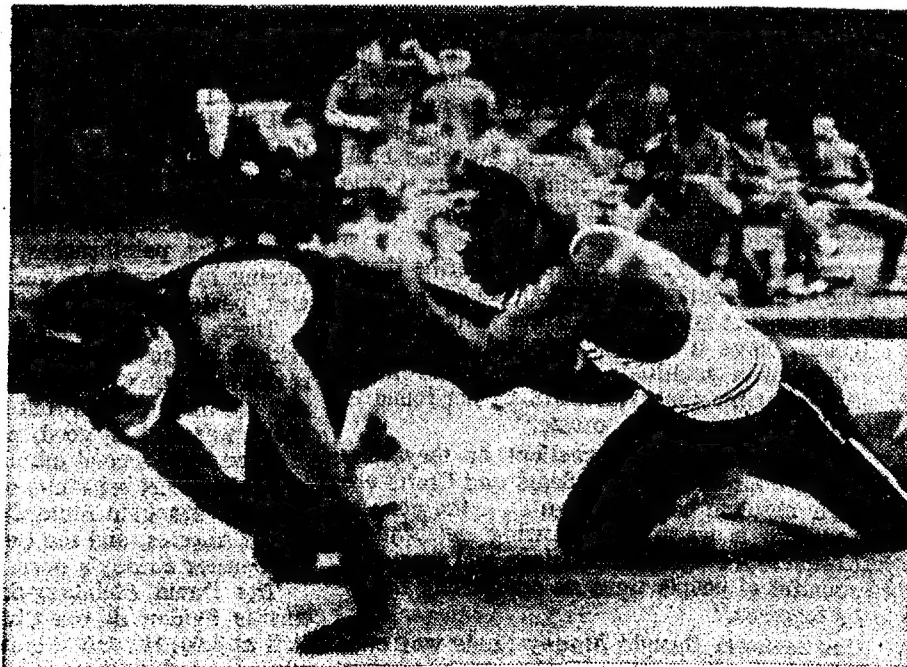
UPSY DAISY . . . Mel bumps heads and stands his foe up before sending him topsy turvy.



EYE TO EYE . . . Many of Mel's foes and him don't see things that way.



In a rare moment (left), Mel looks as if he may be in trouble, but (right) he strikes a more familiar pose as he pulls an opponents leg.



Was JV Season Like LA Quake?

By KEN BERGER

Coach Jim Seward talks about the (7-8) junior varsity basketball season as if it were as disastrous as the Los Angeles earthquake.

"The season was disappointing," Seward said, "we needed to play defense. Our season was similar to the varsity's—we got the lead but just couldn't hold on for the win."

The initial blow to Seward's squad hit the first day of practice when Roger Woltkamp broke his foot and was out of action for about a month. The Papooses couldn't get off on the right foot without Woltkamp and lost their first two contests to Iowa Western College and Creighton University's Freshmen.

Calamity again shook the ranks of the J.V. squad during Christmas. This time it was Calvin Forrest who was sidelined with the exact same injury that had befallen Woltkamp.

Seward to Blame

Injuries weren't the only problem plaguing the Papooses, however. The fact that the games were played at 5:30 when most people are home eating dinner; that the officials at the junior colleges don't call the same type of game; that there are no real goals, like a conference championship to shoot for all seemed to spell disaster for Seward and his squad.

Seward placed much of the blame for the losing season on himself. "I didn't do a very good job this year. I didn't always play the right people. Our big men, Woltkamp, Forrest and Jim Janowski, could have played with anybody, but our guards had trouble."

Seward said that one of the main problems was that some of the most talented players never got to perform. "We had too many players never getting any playing experience because they sat with the var-

sity. We should have had maybe 15 men on both teams and let the talented players play and let everybody suit up with the varsity."

Schedule Adds

The schedule that the Papooses had to cope with added to their problems. Seward said, "The conference only allows us to play 15 games. This is bad for us because there are so many teams in the area we could play without much expense."

He added that it was tough on the players to practice for four months and only play 15 games. "It would have been much better if we could have played 20 or 25 games," he said.



SEWARD

... He blames himself.

Despite their record, the Papooses had a chance to win 13 games. The team was only out of two games and lost four games by two points or less.

The last game of the season exemplified the frustration and disaster of the whole season. If the Papooses would have won that game it would have meant a winning season for them. They were ahead the entire game, but at the final buzzer they found themselves two points short of being a winner.

Hospodka Returns

Bernie Hospodka has rejoined the UNO wrestling team.

The 190-pound national champ worked out with the team Sunday and is expected to make the trip to the national tournament.

Hospodka quit the team during the Rocky Mountain Conference championships after being pinned by Ken Isenhardt of Colorado Mines in his first match.

His return, Coach Don Benning said earlier, would only be accepted if his teammates voted him back.

Wrestlers Travel To Boone, N.C. For National Test

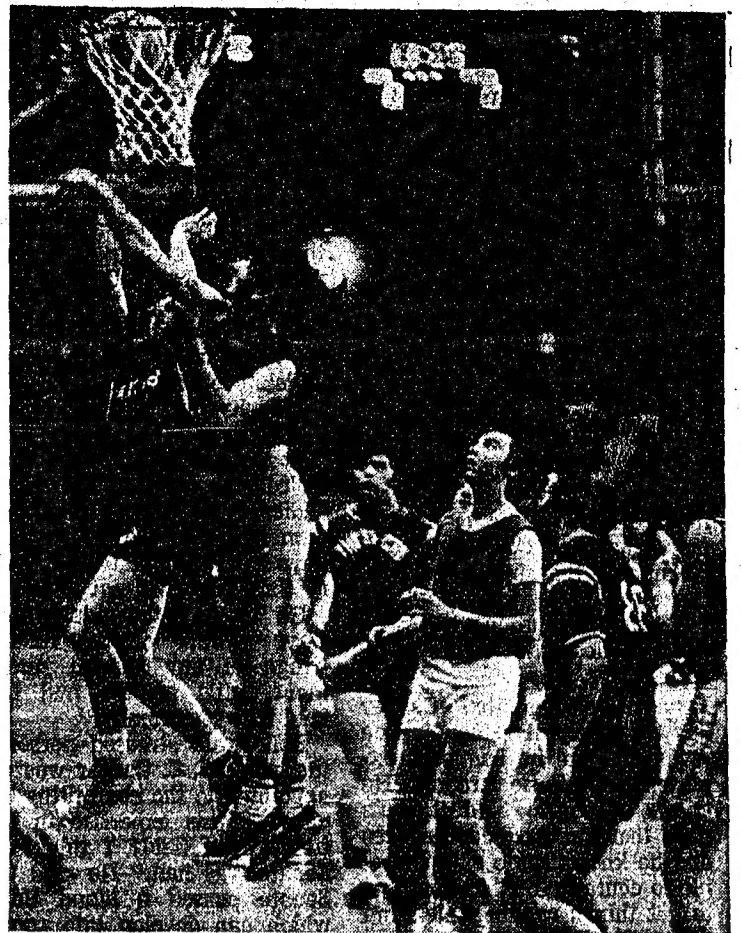
UNO wrestlers finished their dual meet season here Mar. 4 with a 26-12 spanking of Eastern Illinois. A crowd of over 1,500 also saw two seniors finish their home mat careers.

Mel Washington, 177-pounder from Rochester, N. Y., moved his dual meet record for the year to 17-0. The UNO favorite's overall record is now 23-0.

Washington toyed with Illinois's Kirby Rogers before pinning him in the third period. Washington would take the visiting Panther to the mat, and then let him escape. A combination of takedowns and numerous near falls gave Mel a 22-8 lead before the pin.

Rich Emsick, the other Indian senior, moved to 190 for his dual meet finale. The grappler's dual meet record is now 10-8 after a loss to Panther John Harsch.

Two Indians celebrated birthdays with pins. Freshman Mike Estes (134) got the quickest pin of the night (1:20) over Leroy Isabell, and Gary Kipfmiller (heavyweight) pinned the Panther heavy Gene Pouliot 21 seconds into the second period.



FIRST ROUND PLAY ... saw action like this between Theta Chi and Little Pikes.

Tourney Starts

The Men's Intramural Basketball Tournament began Saturday and found all of the Gateway favorites except Delta Sigs advancing after the first round.

No. 1 Lambda Chi's won their first round game over their second team Iota Delta. Wreck-in' Crew had an easy time with Nebraska Beta and met Ranas head to head.

Complete tourney results and summary will follow the contest.

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Girls' Track Meet

On Mar. 17, there will be a girl's track meet conducted by the UNO Track Club. The events will be the long jump, high jump, softball throw, 60 yard dash, 440 yd. dash, one lap run (176 yds.), and a one lap relay four girls to a team.

Any and all girls that carry three or more hours at UNO are invited. The meet will be held at the UNO field house from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Ribbons will be given to the first three places in individual events.

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Anti-War Rally or Workshop?

(Continued from Page 1)

Will the conference turn into an anti-war rally? According to Stockman. "No. There will be discussion on U.S. foreign policy but that doesn't mean a thing. A State Department representative will be at the conference the three days. The State Department was interested and is sending a younger man who can better incorporate himself into the atmosphere."

"I Am the Coordinator"

And is Stockman really conference coordinator or is former senator J. C. Casper really running the show? Casper's name originally appeared on the Senate resolution which was later handed down as an executive order.

Stockman indicated Casper has been helpful in conference plans because he has past experience in these areas. "He knows where to hold it, he's been there at past conferences and he knows some of the people to contact. J. C. knows how to get things running. Heading the committee myself, plans would take much longer to carry out. It's the first time I've headed such a committee."

But Stockman said he is the coordinator, not Casper. As a matter of fact, "Some of J. C.'s recommendations were put down at the last committee meeting."

Peace Rally and Budget

CCS representative Don Bell sees things differently. "I am not against a Leadership Conference. I only fear it will turn into an anti-war rally. I'm not against anti-war rallies. But at this time and this place, with the legislature in session and the UNO budget not yet settled, I am."

Bell believes some of the people behind the conference "will turn it into an anti-war rally contrary to the assurances they gave the Senate."

He ties together the conference and the referendum on the People's Peace Treaty. "The students asked for neither," Bell questioned genuine student involvement in the conference. "If the students were as close to this as some of the Senate is, there would not be a Leadership Conference. The end doesn't justify the means—personal motives do matter."

'High-Profile Liberals'

Bell said those behind the conference intend to get free publicity for the up-coming student body elections. "I'm tired of high-profile liberals when we have a responsibility to the people of the university and community. Look at Manpower for Urban Progress. It needs

volunteers, but you don't get free publicity for that.

"Their purpose is to get free publicity and taint our campus with this stigma of radicalism. At the same time, they'll be giving an easter present to Terry Carpenter."

'Carpenter Will Eat It Up'

Bell believes any anti-war activity can be used by the legislature to further cut the university budget. "A group of less than ten people will present to the city of Omaha that we're a university filled with radicals. They know the referendum won't pass, but they will have gotten publicity. And Terry Carpenter will eat it up."

He applied the adage: Always beware of the lunatic fringe in any reform movement. "It's age-old and has held true historically."

Bell again stressed personal motives. "J. C. Casper was re-appointed to the committee because of his expertise in the field. What field? I think the Senate was had." He said the Senate passed a bland thing which can develop into something not so bland. "They've perverted the spirit of the senate if not the law."

Ventriloquist Act

Who is coordinating the conference? According to Bell, "Janus (the Roman god with two faces) is running it. Every time Dan Stockman opens his mouth to talk about the Leadership Conference, I hear J. C. Casper's voice."

In Bell's mind, a Leadership "Training" Conference should "teach how to lead the student body by using the various available routes to and through the establishment to rectify the very obvious problems we have here." He cited people or organizations with certified credentials here in Omaha who could speak or advise on any campus problems.

\$1,050 In Student Fees

"But we don't have to spend all this money for leaders to rap to each other. I feel it will become just a big rap session where anyone can go, talk about some problems, and expiate his own conscience by going home and saying, 'Well, I went.'" The Leadership Conference cuts into \$1,050 of the student activity fees.

Bell asked, "If this isn't an anti-war rally, why are people from all over the country being brought in to speak? They don't give a damn about our problems here."

"They will propound the views of the people who are promoting this. That's what bugs me. I hope nobody believes these speakers were chosen objectively."

Bell also said a faculty member's presence on the coordinating committee for purposes of authentication is a very weak move. "The faculty member won't take much time to check any speaker's credentials. He will usually take the committee's word. The other committee members are senate education representative Linda Radachi and Senate advisor Dr. Bernard Kolasa."

Bell concluded that the conference is "basically a situation where a small group can use the university to lend legitimacy to its views. I don't think these students have the right or the duty to propagate their private views. It's tragic the university's naivete almost stretches the bounds of credulity."

'War Conference Not Reality'

But according to J. C. Casper, "I wouldn't waste the valuable time of the conference on a topic which will be coming to a head on our own campus in much less time. A conference on the war is not a reality in the Mid-west."

Concerning radicalism Casper said, "After the Omaha 54, I doubt if a Leadership Conference will be a massive move to radicalism. I'm only interested in the best interests of the students of the Mid-west."

'I Am Not Lunatic'

He added, "I am not a lunatic. Most informed student leaders are for innovation and change in the university system done within this same system. So does that make me a lunatic? People love to stereotype and if that's what they stereotype me as, then what about the SDS or the Chicago 7? They're far more left than I am. So what are they if I'm lunatic fringe?"

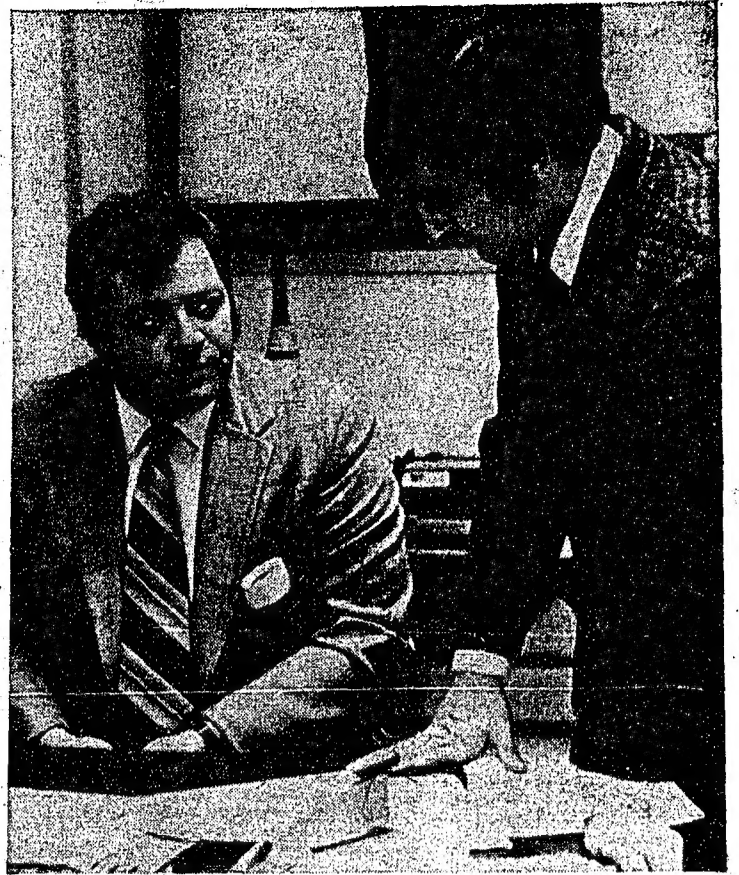
He called Bell a "classic example of an extrapolator. He takes from things as he sees them—usually an incomplete picture—and then passes judgment."

Why do we need a Leadership Conference? According to Casper, "We must have some focal point where we can go to get knowledge on various subjects. You can't just go from number zero to accomplishing something."

The conference is open to all UNO students plus more from other Mid-western campuses. But the coordinator(s) are planning for only 150 participants. So is the conference open to everyone only to justify using \$1,050 in student activity fees?

Will Benefit All

Casper said, "Look at all university enterprises like a



DIFFERING VIEWS . . . Bell (left) and Stockman disagree on what conference will be.

travel plan, a co-op bookstore, co-op drugstore, a housing association. Not every student uses these things. But the benefits the users derive will be passed on to the whole group. Last year's Leadership Conference brought me into student government."

As for who's running the show, Casper said, "There are many concepts Dan Stockman doesn't have a background in yet. I have past experience in these things. The only reason UNO students are having a chance like this to cash in on the experiences the resource

people have gained, is that so many schools will be attending. The speakers that are coming wouldn't have the time to come to each individual campus and try to help them with their problems. But they are able and willing to come to a melting pot of many schools. UNO has a chance to benefit that it can't be anything but worthwhile."

Casper indicated he doesn't "question Bell's motives for opposing the conference. You can smell the shit. The U.S. Senate had its McCarthy and we have a Don Bell."

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